

Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service

Information Bulletin #4
June 10, 1955

To: All Races Station Managers and Operators

Subject:

On June 15, 1955 at some hour after 5:00PM CDST, authorities of the Vanderburgh Civil Defense Corps will initiate a drill involving all divisions of the organization. This drill is in keeping with the C-D drill being conducted on a national scale during that week.

The problem set up at a national level provides for a 5 megaton bomb to be dropped near the loop in Chicago. Smaller atomic bombs will be dropped on Ft. Wayne, South Bend, Gary, St. Louis and many other cities. The local problem involves an aircraft of enemy origin which crash lands somewhere in Vanderburgh County. This airplane, with its atomic weapons, was supposedly intended by the enemy to be part of the plan for bombing St. Louis.

The Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service of Vanderburgh County and surrounding counties will again be the nucleus of all communications used in the drill. Since this drill is to simulate an actual emergency in every aspect, we have been asked to assume that no prewarning is in evidence and that the alert is a complete surprise. Everything is being done to simulate this condition.

There are actually two methods whereby Races members may be alerted; one, through the telephone system and two, through the conelrad system and sirens. In any event the air raid sirens should take precedence and you should immediately go to your communications receiver and monitor 29.6 mc. However, it is anticipated that in this simulated alert as well as if this emergency were real, we would have enough advance warning that CD personnel could be alerted.

The attached list contains the names, addresses, telephone numbers and the RACES designation of the 48 licensed operators. This list is most valuable to you and you will need it at the time of the alert. Please keep it available.

Here is how the telephone system functions:

The Civil Defense Headquarters will notify the Radio Officer by telephone of the alert. He in turn will immediately call the three persons at the top of the list, who will in turn call five other operators. Each one of the persons at the top of the five lists will call the person listed immediately under his name.

That person will call the person listed under his name, etc. In that manner, each individual listed under the five groups will make only one phone call. In the event the person you call is not at home, he cannot come to the phone or the line is busy hang up and call the next person on the list. The speed with which we must exercise the alerting system is so important that we cannot permit one of the above reasons to stop the chain of the alerting system. Also please remember, that any time any individual does not complete a call to one of the persons listed under his name, he immediately disrupts the whole system.

After you have completed your phone call, go to your communications receiver and monitor 29.6 mc for instructions. If you are mobile, get in your car and await assignments. PLEASE DO NOT TRANSMIT AFTER YOU ARE ALERTED. Please do not turn on the transmitter for any reason unless requested to by net control. Remember that if enemy bombers were actually over the country, they would welcome your signal to guide them to a target. Do not become impatient if you are not called immediately. While you are monitoring the frequency, the mobile center will be moving into the "devastated area".

FCC regulations for rules governing RACES states in essence that shortened call signs may be used at the discretion of the Radio Officer providing that your regular licensed call is given only on your first transmission. Therefore answer with your W9--- call on your first transmission only. From then on use the "R -" call assigned you on the attached list.

Amateur call signs are not to be used at any time during the drill except after your first transmission. On all subsequent transmissions use the "R" designation. Here is how the alert will work:

Sometime after 5:00 PM you will receive a telephone call. The caller will say "Operations Lemonjuice" or "Operations Applejack. (Lemonjuice means an attack is probable; Operations Applejack means an attack is imminent. Both symbols refer to simulated emergencies only. Operation Mellow and Red refer to the real thing.) After the caller advises you of the operations you should answer "Roger", jot down the time and hang up. You should immediately call the person who is listed under your name. If for any reason you can not get him on the phone, hang up and call the next person on the list. We must out of necessity forget about the person who did not answer. After completing your call tune in 29.6 and listen. It would be well for persons who do not have mobile rigs, to make arrangements to accompany a mobile station. Under any conditions it must be assumed that when you are called you will have some manner (fixed or mobile) to acknowledge and take an assignment. If you do not acknowledge it must be assumed you are not participating.

According to plans there will be plenty of interesting activity on 147.3 mc, 29.6 mc 3500 - 4000 kc and possibly teletype, plus commercial facilities.

The following are some of the important procedures we should follow:

- 1 You must have your Amateur operators license and your RACRS license on your person.
- 2 C.D. police will not permit anyone in the "devistated area without their ID card.
- 3 No transmissions should be made without the request of net control. If you have something important for Net Control, throw on your carrier and say, "Break R? . Then stand by for a reply.
- 4 All transmissions must be short and to the point. Use such terms as " Roger", "Repeat" "Over", "Out" etc.
- 5 Mobile and portable stations need not keep a log. The net control log will suffice for FCC.
- 6 The 147.3 mc station at CD headquarters will be Station "ABLE". The net control station located at the scene of the "disaster will be Station "BAKER". Each station in the field will be "R1, R 2, R3, R4," etc.
- 7 Use some other frequency other than 29.6mc if you are not participating in the drill and if you are going to operate.
- 8 Call me if you have any questions. This drill will be by far the largest we have ever had in Evansville. It will be a good opportunity to exhibit the amateur operators ability and the versitality of his equipment. Civil Defense Headquarters have advised that the entire operations will be monitored by Civic authorities and that each Director will be given a chance to put a problem (simulating an emergency condition) into effect.
- 9 WEAR YOU WHITE HELMETS. Call me if you do not have a helmet and the CD insigne.

Albert W. Schoettlin
Radio Officer

PROPOSED TELEPHONE LIST FOR OPERATION LEMONJUICE, JUNE 15th, 1955

Each person should call the person whose name is listed below his name. If he is not there or can not be reached at once, do not wait, call the next person below his name at once.

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R 2 is Al, W9UMS. He will call R 42, Lou, W9SWN, 4-5140; R 36, John, W9WUH, 2-9628; R 30, Fred, 4-6086;

R 42, Lou, W9SWN, 4-5140
calls:

R 39, Earle, W9UNT, 5-1861
R 22 Herb W9NZC, 3-0373
R 37, Warren, W9HX, 4-6064
R 25, Callie, W9UHV, 5-7488
R 40, Alan, W9ZPP, 5-8003
R 35, Melvin, W9AUS, 2-9791
R 44, John, W9PEK, 6-5777
FHA

R 36, John, W9WUH, 2-9628
calls:

R 24 Stirman, W9ZZY, 4-2614
R 37, Wilbur, W90VB, 2-5692
R 8, John, W9TIU, 6-1100
R 13, Bill, W9POW, 6-2551
R 23, Roy, W9PQR, 6-0228
R 43, Dick, W9DQI, 2-4077
R 45, Bruce, W9FGX 6-3808

R 30, Fred, W9FJI, 4-6086
calls:

R 14 Fay, W9AIN, 6-4238	R 3, Hank, W9RDJ, 6-7601	R 16, Phil, W9GFS, 6-0500
R 15, Lowell, W9RBV, 7-0168	R 4, Dr. John, W9YZO, 4-7197	R 11, Bob, W9BBN, 2-1665
R 18, Marvin, W9QAV, 2-1385	R 9, Heward, W9JFJ, 6-0365	R 28, Al &co, W9NYX, 2-9610
R 5, Lefty, W9KVE, 4-4213	R 17, Don, W9RIT, 6-0273	R 31, Charles W9RIV, 4-7008
R 20, Mac, W9DCA, 5-8527	R 26, Mike, W9WQQ, 7-0616	R 34, Don, W9LXW, 6-9870
R 46, Jim, W9LVL, 4-1626	R 27, Harold W9KIE, 4-8973	R 41, Ed, W9ABW 2-4632
R 35, Charles W9MKZ, 6-8378		

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